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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
APPROPRIATIONS**

Wednesday, March 18, 2009

10:00 a.m.

Room 352, State Capitol

The House Standing Committee on Appropriations was called to order by the Chair, Representative George Cushingberry, Jr.

The invocation was offered by the Chairman as a moment of Silence.

Members present: Representatives Cushingberry, Hammel, Bauer, Bennett, Terry Brown, Dean, Durhal, Espinoza, Gonzales, Gregory, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Miller, Smith, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib, Moss, Agema, Booher, Caul, Genetski, Green, Haines, Hildenbrand, Lori, Proos, Rogers, Schuitmaker.

Members absent/excused: None.

Chairman Cushingberry made opening statements.

The Chairman placed before the committee HB 4026:

HB 4026 (Hammel) Fire; other; fees for fire inspection services; allow.

Rep. Hammel made opening remarks on the bill.

Representative Andy Neumann testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals were in support of the bill:

Paul Hufnagel representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters

Tim James representing the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

Ron Farr representing the Michigan Fire Safety Board

Dave Purchase representing the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

Don Bigger representing the Michigan Fire Instructors

Representative Hammel moved to report HB 4026 with recommendation.

Representative McDowell supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 18-6-5.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Hammel, Bauer, Bennett, Terry Brown, Dean, Espinoza, Gonzales, Gregory, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Miller, Smith, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib.

NAYS: Representatives Moss, Genetski, Haines, Hildenbrand, Rogers, Schuitmaker,

PASS: Representatives, Agema, Booher, Caul, Green, Proos.

Chairman Cushingberry placed before the committee HB 4582:

HB 4582 (Gonzales) Appropriations; supplemental; multidepartment supplemental for certain fiscal years; provide for.

Chairman recognized Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association, in support of the bill.

Troy Hagen from the Department of Transportation was called to the table to answer questions on the bill.

Bill Hamilton, Analyst from the House Fiscal Agency, answered further questions.

Ed Tim, Administrator from the Financial Division of the Michigan Department of Transportation, spoke on the bill.

David Worthams, representing the Michigan Municipal League submitted written testimony to the bill.

Representative Gonzales moved to report HB 4582 with recommendation.

Representative Brown supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 30-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Hammel, Bauer, Bennett, Terry Brown, Dean, Durhal, Espinoza, Gonzales, Gregory, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Miller, Smith, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib, Moss, Agema, Booher, Caul, Genetski, Green, Haines, Hildenbrand, Lori, Proos and Rogers.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Chairman Cushingberry proceeded to the Legislative Transfer Package of various state departments:

Mitch Bean, Director of the House Fiscal Agency was recognized. Margaret Alston, House Fiscal Agency, was also recognized for review of the packet. The following individuals were recognized for specific questions on the packet:

Sharon Shaffer, Budget Officer from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Kirk Lindquist, Analyst from the House Fiscal Agency for Natural Resources

Jan Wisniewski, Analyst from the House Fiscal Agency for Military and Veterans and State Police

Marilyn Petersen, Analyst from the House Fiscal Agency for Corrections
Bill Hamilton, Analyst from the House Fiscal Agency for Agriculture

Representative Hammel moved that the transfer package be adopted.
Representative Switalski supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 30-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Hammel, Bauer, Bennett, Terry Brown, Dean, Durhal, Espinoza, Gonzales, Gregory, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Miller, Smith, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib, Moss, Agema, Booher, Caul, Genetski, Green, Haines, Hildenbrand, Lori, Proos and Rogers.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

The committee stood at ease at 11:00 a.m.

The committee reconvened at 3:30 p.m.

The Chairman placed before the committee SB 322:

SB 322 (McManus) Appropriations; supplemental; Michigan natural resources trust fund; provide for.

Representative Lahti moved to report SB 322 with recommendation.

Representative Brown supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 28-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Hammel, Bauer, Bennett, Terry Brown, Dean, Durhal, Espinoza, Gregory, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Miller, Smith, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib, Moss, Booher, Caul, Genetski, Green, Haines, Hildenbrand, Lori, Proos, and Rogers.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

There being no further business before the committee, seeing no objection the committee meeting adjourned the time being 3:45 pm.

Representative George Cushingberry, Jr. Chair_____

Darlene Moore, Committee Clerk, (517) 373-2994